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TAGS: OVIP (KNAUER, VIRGINIA H.)

SUBJECT: VISIT TO TOKYO AND SYDNEY OF MRS. VIRGINIA H. L
KNAUER

1.MRS. VIRGINIA H. KNAUER, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESI-
DENT FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, WILL ADDRESS THE 8TH WORLD
CONSUMER CONGRESS SPONSORED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANI-
ZATION OF CONSUMERS' UNIONS IN SYDNEY MARCH 24 - 27. IN
CONNECTION WITH THIS TRIP, SHE ALSO INTENDS A STOPOVER IN
TOKYO TO ACCEPT LONG STANDING INVITATIONS FROM JAPANESE
CONSUMER ORGANIZATIONS TO VISIT THEIR OPERATIONS.
HER INTENDED ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:
3/19 - ARRIVE TOKYO, 5:00 PMABOARD NORTHWEST ORIENT
NO. 3

3/20-21-22 - IN TOKYO (POSSIBLE SIDE TRIP TO KYOTO)

3/22 - LEAVE TOKYO 8:00 PM VIA QUANTUS NO. 263

3/23 - ARRIVE SYDNEY 6:40 AM

3/24-25-26-27 - IN SYDNEY ATTENDING IOCU CONGRESS(TO
ADDRESS GENERAL SESSION ON 25TH)

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3/27 - LEAVE SYDNEY 5:30 PM VIA PAN AM NO. 812
FOR LOS ANGELES

2. FOR TOKYO: U.S. EMBASSY IS ASKED TO COORDINATE MRS. KNAUER'S VISIT AND TO ALERT APPROPRIATE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND CONSUMER ORGANIZATIONS LEADERS. MRS. KNAUER HAS HAD PREVIOUS CONTACT WITH THREE CONSUMER ORGANIZATIONS IN JAPAN, THEY ARE: (A) THE CONSUMERS UNION OF JAPAN, TELEPHONE 711-7766, CONTACT HAS BEEN MRS. KATSUKO NOMURA; (B) THE JAPAN CONSUMER'S ASSOCIATION, TELEPHONE 541-5251, CONTACT MATSURI YAMASHURA; (C) THE JAPAN HOUSEWIVES ASSOCIATION HEADED BY DIET MEMBER MRS. NUMEO OKU, TELEPHONE 265-8111. MRS. KNAUER WELCOMES MEETINGS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ANY OF THESE ASSOCIATIONS, IF DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY U.S. EMBASSY. IN VIEW OF 3/21 NATIONAL HOLIDAY, SCHEDULE IN TOKYO MIGHT UTILIZE THURSDAY, 3/20 FOR MEETINGS WITH JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, AND 3/21 FOR MEETINGS WITH CONSUMER ORGANIZATION LEADERS. MRS. KNAUER ALSO WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE TIME FOR VISIT TO KYOTO, PERHAPS TRAVELING TO KYOTO LATE ON THE 21ST, SPENDING THE MAJOR PORTION OF 3/22 IN KYOTO, AND FLYING LATER AFTERNOON TO TOKYO TO CATCH FLIGHT TO SYDNEY. REQUEST SINGLE ROOM RESERVATION BE MADE IN HER NAME AT HOTEL OKURA FOR THE EVENINGS OF MARCH 19 - 21, CHANGING 21 RESERVATION TO SITE IN KYOTO IF THAT PORTION OF THE TRIP MATERIALIZES. ALSO, THE EMBASSY IS ASKED TO SUPPLY LOCAL INTERPRETER FROM EMBASSY STAFF.

FOR SYDNEY: U.S. CONSULATE SHOULD BE ALERT TO THIS VISIT, SPECIAL SERVICES FOR MRS. KNAUER NOT EXPECTED; SHE WILL BE PRINCIPALLY INVOLVED WITH THE CONGRESS PROGRAM WHILE IN SYDNEY. CONGRESS TO BE HELD AT THE TEMPLAR - MANHATTAN HOTEL IN SYDNEY AND CONSULATE IS ASKED TO RESERVE A SINGLE ROOM FOR MRS. KNAUER AT THAT HOTEL FOR THE EVENINGS OF MARCH 23 - 26. OBTAIN ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON CONGRESS FROM: GERI ETTINGER, SECRETARY, AUSTRALIAN CONSUMER ASSOCIATION, 28 QUEENS STREET, CHIPPENDALE, SYDNEY 20008; TELEPHONE 69-7181 OR 69-5447 WHO ARE HOSTS
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FOR THE CONGRESS.

PLEASE CHECK WHETHER HOTEL RESERVATION HAVE ALREADY MADE THROUGH IOCU CHANNELS. NO OTHER ASSISTANCE NEEDED FROM U.S. CONSULATE AT THIS TIME. KISSINGER

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